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NEW HAMPSHIRE'S PICK

It Is Wm. McKinley or
Thos. B. Reed.

Either Would Please Granite
State Partisans.

Ringling Resolutions for Protection
Passed by the Convention
at Concord.

CONCORD, March 31.—The New
Hampshire Republicans held their
state convention here today.

United States Senator Chandler pre-
sided.

His mention of Thomas B. Reed as
the Nation's choice aroused great en-
thusiasm.

The adoption of the platform as
presented by the committee was made
unanimous. The platform opens with
congratulations to the country upon
the near approach of an opportunity
for release from Democratic misrule.
It continues: "We demand that the
National convention nominate candi-
dates whose election will mean speedy
repeal of the infamous and ruinous
Democratic tariff and the substitution
thereof of one based upon the prin-
ciples of the McKinley act; the enact-
ment of currency laws that will pro-
vide a circulating medium of gold,
silver and paper which will always be
interchangeable at their face value.
We recognize as the most conspicuous
among the candidates New England's
noble and illustrious sons, Hon. Thos.
B. Reed of Maine, and that pure, able
statesman and champion of protection,
Hon. Wm. McKinley of Ohio. We will
give the electoral vote of New Hamp-
shire to any nominee who worthily
represents the party, but we prefer
one of these because either is in him-
self a platform."

ELECTION FRAUDS.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The board of
election commissioners today declared
that 45,000 of 370,000 voters registered
for the coming election were fraudu-
lent. The commissioners discovered
wholesale registration frauds in nearly
every ward.

ILLINOIS CONGRESSMEN.

MATTOON, Ill., March 31.—Benson
Wood, Republican, who in 1894 de-
feated George W. Fithian by a plu-
rality of 1,300, was today renomi-
nated by acclamation by the Republican con-

gressional convention of the Nine-
teenth district.

DECATUR, Ill., March 31.—The Re-
publican convention for the Seven-
teenth congressional district renomi-
nated Congressman James A. Connolly
of Springfield, and who two years ago
after a bitter fight defeated Wm. M.
Springer by nearly 3,000 plurality.

VAN VORHIS RENOMINATED.

ZANESVILLE, O., March 31.—Henry
C. Van Vorhis of this city was to-
day renominated for a third term by
the Republican congressional conven-
tion of the Fifteenth Ohio district.

BRUTALLY EXECUTED.

The Fate of Five Cubans at the
Garrote.

HAVANA, March 31.—Never in
modern times has there been a more
sickening spectacle than that which
today attended the public execution of
the five Cubans condemned to death by
the garrote as murderers, violators
and incendiaries. Troops were drawn
up in a hollow square and in the mid-
dle were placed a chair and a post.
Ruiz, the public executioner, had de-
puted an assistant to conduct affairs.

The condemned men were brought
into the square to meet their fate. One
had confessed his guilt and affirmed
the innocence of all the others, who
also protested that they were guiltless.
The first man took his seat in the chair
calmly. The iron collar was fixed
about his neck and the cap drawn over
his face. The executioner undertook
to apply the screw, but was so excited
his hand slipped repeatedly. The vic-
tim died by slow strangulation, emit-
ting the most distressing cries.

The second execution was accom-
plished with even more distressing
awkwardness, the executioner being
almost on the verge of collapse. The
protests of officers and priests forced
Ruiz to undertake the third execution,
but he did little better than his assist-
ant had done. Then Ruiz literally
fled from the post, leaving his assist-
ants to put to death the fifth unfor-
tunate Cuban, who suffered the same
agonizing experiences as his fellows.

A DAY TOO LONG.

BRECKENRIDGE, Cal., March 31.—
Engineer Nicksmith, after forty years'
service in railroading, was killed to-
day in a head-end collision near Dwyer
between his train, the Leadville ac-
commodation from Denver, and an ex-
tra going east.

THE SILVER MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Sil-
ver bars, 68%; Mexican dollars, 56 1/4.

HUGHES WILL NOT QUIT

Considers Himself Still
in Office.

Secretary Bruce Demands the
Keys.

Even Cleveland May Be Defied by
the Outgoing Executive
Officer.

The question that is agitating minds
in official circles just now is "Who is
governor of Arizona?" Governor
Hughes refuses to surrender the reins
of government and Territorial Sec-
retary Bruce, styling himself "acting
governor," demands them.

It had been known that a demand
would be made yesterday upon Gov-
ernor Hughes to relinquish his office.
Such demand was made about 11
o'clock, Secretary Bruce and Assistant
Secretary Devereaux calling upon the
retiring official at his rooms in The
Ford, equipped with a telegram from
the assistant secretary of the interior
announcing Hughes' removal and with
the volumes of the law that showed in
that case the secretary took upon him-
self all the duties and functions of the
executive.

The party was received politely, but
Governor Hughes decidedly refused to
acknowledge Secretary Bruce as the
ad interim governor and the secretary
returned to his office to telegraph the
interior department officials for fur-
ther instructions. These instructions,
it is expected, will arrive today, and
upon them will the secretary act.

Governor Hughes is quoted as say-
ing to Secretary Bruce that he would
not obey an order from even the pres-
ident himself for the surrender of his
office, as he had the authority of law
for holding on to his office till such
time as the nomination of his suc-
cessor should have been confirmed by
the senate.

It had been known that the depart-
ing governor had relied upon the old
tenure of office act (revised statutes
1767) to sustain him in the position
that he was not ousted till the senate
should have assented to the dismissal
or should have confirmed his suc-
cessor. In support of Hughes has been
said that this view was taken not
from any desire to hold on to a thank-
less office, but from an idea that his
premature relinquishment would be
attended by dire legal complications.

There is not a day when the executive
action is not needed upon one or more
important matters and the conse-
quences might be imagined where the
signature of other than the legal gov-
ernor to be affixed to documents re-
quiring the executive sanction.

But Governor Hughes and a number
of others had overlooked chapter 353
amendments to revised statutes, in
which sections 1767-1772 were ex-
pressly annulled and repealed.

Now the question recurs again to
the original statutes. By section
1841, "The executive power of each
territory shall be vested in a governor
who shall hold his office for four
years, and until his successor is ap-
pointed and qualified, unless sooner
removed by the president."

Then section 1843 finally disposes of
all doubt in the matter. It prescribes
the appointment of a secretary for
each territory and stipulates, covering
the disputed point: "In case of the
death, removal, resignation or absence
of the governor from the territory, the
secretary shall execute all the powers
and perform all the duties during
such vacancy or absence or until an-
other governor is appointed and qual-
ified."

Secretary Bruce yesterday said to a
Republican reporter that he would do
nothing in the matter without definite
instructions from his superiors and
upon their decision would he act with
all promptitude. He stated the law to
be the same as above noted and can see
no other way out of the difficulty.

Thus Secretary Bruce temporarily
dons the robes of power, and his sec-
retary, F. B. Devereaux, will certify
as acting secretary to all official acts
that may be by him performed. This
condition of affairs is likely to last
for about ten days. The nomination
of Col. B. J. Franklin went to the
senate Monday. According to the rules
it must be over a day before action is
taken. Then the nomination will come
before the senate today. Unanimous
confirmation may be delayed through
stress of prior business. The commis-
sion will be made out following con-
firmation and mailed hither. The
new governor will then take the oath
of office and will officially call upon the
acting governor, who on sight of the
commission will render the office to
the new incumbent.

The above will, of course, depend
in its fulfillment upon the question of
the surrender of Hughes.

But Hughes, when visited by a mem-
ber of The Republican staff, expressed
no intention of surrendering till his
successor should have been confirmed.
"Yes," said he, "I know that the tenure
of office act has been repealed but there
is another section. I can't just re-
member where it is, that fixes the gov-
ernor's term of office as lasting till the
affirmation of his dismissal by the

senate or the confirmation of his suc-
cessor by the same body."

"Would you oppose and refuse to
obey an order to surrender your office
if such order were sent from the in-
terior department?"

"Well," was the answer, "I don't
know. I can't say. I'd have to wait
and see what the situation was. You
see I have had no personal or official
notification of my dismissal and I
surely cannot accept that telegram
from the assistant secretary in that
light. If the news is true, surely I
must be advised in some formal man-
ner."

"The only notification I have re-
ceived in the premises is this," said
Governor Hughes extending a letter.

The letter was a short one, of less
than a single typewritten page. It
was from the interior department and
signed by Secretary Hoke Smith. It
stated that "the president has come to
the conclusion that it is for the best
interests of the public service that you
resign. If you prefer to send in your
resignation, you will please do so by
telegram not later than Friday night,
at which time I leave Washington for
Georgia. If no reply is received as
suggested, you will be removed. It is
useless for you to try to reopen the
question with the president, as this
action is final."

"This letter," explained Governor
Hughes, "was mailed from Washing-
ton on the 23d and reached here Sat-
urday, the day after I was to have tel-
egraphed my resignation. I was in
Tucson; the letter was sent there and
then followed me back to Phoenix
and I only got it yesterday afternoon,
after the news of my removal had been
made public."

"Governor," queried the reporter,
"It is said upon the street that you
have announced your intention of op-
posing the confirmation of Colonel
Franklin, and of securing through the
senate an inquiry into your case."

"I have done no such thing," was
the reply, "I have no objection to Col-
onel Franklin's confirmation."

"I would be pleased to lay down the
burden at once," he continued, "were it
not for the real damage such a course
would do the financial interests of the
territory. There is a bond sale now
in progress, indeed it is consummated,
and a suspension of the executive
functions at this time would have far
reaching consequences. I think I un-
derstand the interests of the territory
far better than do the officials at
Washington and I do not wish to jeop-
ardize its finances."

Governor Hughes is still confined to
his room, not so much from his hurts
in the assault of the former day, so he
explains, as from a threatened attack
of pneumonia, against which he was
warned by his physician several days
ago. He states he is yet so weak that
he could not well walk down the hotel
stairs. His face is yet puffed from the
effect of the blow received.

Among territorial officeholders there
is deep seated unrest, mingled with a
bit of "that tired feeling." All are
figuring on an upheaval that will leave
few in their chairs and never before
did the territorial plums appear so lus-
cious. The new governor, it is well
known, is identified with no faction
and it is further known that he is the
class of man who will do his thinking
for himself. This linked to the fact
that Col. Franklin is well informed in
the local political game, makes a com-
bination that may not be unraveled by
the many most deeply interested in its
solution.

NATIONAL GUARD VETERANS.

Surgeon-General Scott Helm Is the
First Member.

Monday the following general order
(No. 2) was issued from the office of
the adjutant-general, National Guard
of Arizona:

Colonel Scott Helm, surgeon-gen-
eral, having made application for re-
tirement in accordance with section 4
of act No. 13 of the Eighteenth legis-
lative assembly of Arizona, accompa-
nied by doctor's certificate of disabil-
ity, the same is approved and Colonel
Scott Helm is hereby transferred from
the staff of the commander-in-chief to
"The National Guard Veterans." By
order L. C. Hughes, governor; Ed
Schwartz, adjutant-general.

The "National Guard Veterans"
named is an organization authorized
by the last legislature, providing that
any officer or enlisted man may be
transferred to it upon seven years'
service or upon evidence of disability.
The privileges attached to membership
in the organization comprise in an
honorary continuation of the rank at
end of service and privilege of wear-
ing the uniform to that rank attached.
Of this organization Surgeon-Gen-
eral Helm is the first member, a dis-
tinction deemed by militiamen to be
even superior to the rank he has heret-
ofore enjoyed.

SUNDRY EXPENSE ITEMS.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The
house today took up the consideration
of the sundry civil appropriation bill
and disposed of fifteen of 100 pages be-
fore adjournment.

THE PARIS FLOATED.

NEW YORK, March 31.—The steam-
er Paris, which had been ashore off
Sandy Hook, floated at high tide, pass-
ing in at quarantine at 9:10 p. m.

JOHN BULL IS TROUBLED

Wicked Matabeles Dis-
turb Him.

They Still Are Murdering the
Settlers.

The British South African Company
Will Rush Troops to the
Front.

LONDON, March 31.—Secretary of
State for the Colonies Joseph Cham-
berlain read a dispatch from the gov-
ernor of Cape Colony, Sir Hercules
Robinson, in the house of commons to-
day. It is announced that the Mata-
beles are massing in Matop hills, and
communication with the south was en-
dangered, and that there was lack of
arms there to supply volunteers, and
the natives were well supplied with
guns.

It is reported that the Chartered
South African company is seriously
alarmed at the events taking place in
South Africa. They have made strong
representations on the subject to the
British government, showing it is ab-
solutely necessary that a large force
be immediately dispatched to the relief
of Bulawayo, pointing out the diffi-
culties which have arisen in the way of
the company being able to do so at
present. The company has authorized
an additional force of 500 men in South
Africa. It is further reported that
two additional battalions of British
regular troops will be immediately
sent to South Africa.

It is difficult to obtain accurate in-
formation regarding the progress of
the rebellion of natives of Matabele-
land. The authorities are withholding
all information possible, as it would
be made use of by the enemies of Brit-
ish rule in Africa. It is not
denied, however, that the situation
becomes darker every day, and a very
strong force will be necessary to re-
store order.

TO INVESTIGATE BOND SALES.

An Incendiary Resolution Introduced
in the House.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Rep-
resentative Shuford of North Carolina
today introduced a resolution to in-
vestigate the recent sale of bonds.

The resolution recites that charges
have been made that unfair and un-
precedented advantages have been ac-
cording by President Cleveland and
Secretary Carlisle to certain financial
syndicates located in New York city
and that charges have been made
against the president and secretary of
the treasury in regard to the recent
bond sale, wherein the same syndi-
cate secured nearly one-half of the
bond issue in a mysterious and sus-
picious manner.

The resolution then provides that a
committee of five be appointed by the
speaker to make an investigation into
all the circumstances relating to the
last three issue of bonds and report to
the house.

A WOMAN'S DEED.

Murdered Self and Children in Jeal-
ous Rage.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Mrs.
Deuss, who murdered her three chil-
dren and killed herself last night be-
cause her husband went to the lodge
so often, was undoubtedly jealous, but
the neighbors say she had no cause to
be, as Deuss never paid attention to
other women. Lately Deuss' business
has not been prosperous and this fact
worried his wife.

When he went out last night she
dressed herself in her wedding gown
and wrote to her husband these words
in German: "As I loved you in life,
so will I attend you step by step in
death."

Then she turned on every gas jet
in the house and gathered her three
children about her bed and died.

STRIKING WORKMEN RETURN.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Five hun-
dred lithographers in this city who
struck seven weeks ago are jubilant
over the notification that they may re-
turn to work pending a decision of the
committee on arbitration. Little or
no concessions have been gained by
the strikers. The committee on arbi-
tration will meet tomorrow, when it is
expected the differences will be amica-
bly adjusted.

JOY TO THE FARMER.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Sec-
retary Mendenhall has let a contract for
10,125,000 packets of vegetable seeds
to be distributed under the recent act
of congress to D. Landre & Sons,
Philadelphia.

The Boston Cafe will serve the usual
choice dinner today.

Business and professional men in
general dine at the popular Boston
Cafe.